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RAIL MUSEUMS
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Railways propose to open Rail Museum in each State particularly in Maharashtra on the pattern of `Rail Museum in Delhi` as it has become a popular tourist spot;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor;

(d) the number of visitors visited the Rail Museum, Delhi and amount collected from sale of tickets during the last three years;

(e) whether the Railways proposes to add more features to attract more people to the Museum; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU)

a) No, Sir. The Rail Museum in Delhi is the National Rail Museum. However, Regional Rail Museums are in existence.

b) Regional Rail Museums exist at Chennai, Mysore, Kolkata and Nagpur.

Feasibility of setting up a Regional Rail Museum in western region is being studied.

c) Does not arise.

d) i) Number of visitors:

2004-05	2,97,231
2005-06	2,99,491
2006-07	3,21,598

ii) Amount collected from sale of tickets:

2004-05	Rs. 15,46,436
2005-06	Rs. 13,56,062
2006-07	Rs. 14,75,136

e) Yes, Sir.

f) Adding features is a continual process. Recently, a Multimedia Kiosk, digitization of archival photographs, installation of a water fountain, and some sheds for protection of exhibits has been accomplished in the last three years.